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**COMMITTEE OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
MINUTES OF LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY COMMITTEE**

Friday, June 17, 2005
6603 West Broad Street, 5th Floor
Richmond, Virginia 23230
Conference Room 4

Department of Health Professions

CALL TO ORDER: A meeting of the Virginia Committee of Physical Therapy was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

PRESIDING: Damien Howell, P.T., Chair

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lorraine Quinn, P.T.A.
Lisa D. Shoaf, Ph.D., P.T
J. R. Locke, Citizen Member
W. Gayle Garnett, PT

MEMBERS ABSENT Maureen Lyons, P.T.

STAFF PRESENT: Elizabeth Young, Executive Director
Pam Horner, Administrative Assistant
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst

COUNSEL PRESENT: None

GUEST PRESENT: Terry Izzo, P.T., VPTA

QUORUM: With 5 members of the Committee present, a quorum was established.

AGENDA: Agenda was accepted.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

NOTICE OF REGULATORY ACTION In January 2005, the Board submitted a Notice of Regulatory Action concerning its current process of credentialing foreign educated applicants.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Shoaf made a motion, which was seconded, that the Committee approved the minutes of the Legislative/Regulatory Committee meeting of April 22, 2005 as amended, which carried unanimously.

FORMER CREDENTIALING INFORMATION PROVIDED

Dr. Shoaf presented information regarding FCCPT and their

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evaluation tool. She stated that the FCCPT works with 3 types of evaluations: (1) Type 1 is for foreign trained graduates who are trying to enter the U.S. on a HBI visa (2) Type 2 is for those individuals who are already in the U.S. and are changing to a Type 2 visa and (3) an Educational credential review.

**PROPOSED
REGULATIONS**

Ms. Young provided a list of other credentialing agencies used in the past: International Education Consultants and International Consultants of Delaware.

Dr. Shoaf made a motion, which was seconded, that the Committee change 18VAC112-20-50(B)(1) to read as follows: “Utilizes the Coursework Evaluation Tool for Foreign Educated Physical Therapists of the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy and utilizes original source documents to establish substantial equivalency to an approved physical therapy program;” The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Shoaf made a motion, which was seconded, that the Committee change 18VAC112-20-65(B)(1) to read as follows: “In lieu of meeting such requirements, an applicant may provide evidence of clinical practice during the five years immediately preceding application for licensure in Virginia with a current, unrestricted license issued by another U.S. jurisdiction. For the purpose of this subdivision, clinical practice shall mean at least 2,500 hours of patient care over a five-year period.” The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With all business concluded the meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Damien Howell, P.T., Chair

Elizabeth Young, Executive Director

Date

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